

22.1401 Policy.

Government contractors, when entering into contracts subject to the Act, are required to take affirmative action to employ, and advance in employment, qualified handicapped individuals without discrimination based on their physical or mental handicap.

22.1402 Applicability.

(a) Section 503 of the Act applies to all Government contracts in excess of \$2,500 for supplies and services (including construction) except as waived by the Secretary of Labor. The clause at 52.222-36, Affirmative Action for Handicapped Workers, implements the Act.

(b) The requirements of the clause at 52.222-36, Affirmative Action for Handicapped Workers, in any contract with a State or local government (or any agency, instrumentality, or subdivision) shall not apply to any agency, instrumentality, or subdivision of that government that does not participate in work on or under the contract.

22.1403 Waivers.

(a) The agency head, with the concurrence of the Director, Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs (OFCCP), (Director), may waive any or all of the terms of the clause at 52.222-36, Affirmative Action for Handicapped Workers, for—

(1) Any contract if a waiver is deemed to be in the national interest; or

(2) Groups or categories of contracts if a waiver is in the national interest and it is—

(i) Impracticable to act on each request individually; and

(ii) Determined that the waiver will substantially contribute to convenience in administering the Act.

(b)(1) The head of a civilian agency, with the concurrence of the Director of OFCCP, or, (2) the Secretary of Defense, may waive any requirement in this subpart when it is determined that the contract is essential to the national security, and that its award without complying with such requirements is necessary to the national security. Upon making such a determination, the head of a civilian agency shall notify the Director in writing within 30 days.

(c) The contracting officer shall submit requests for waivers in accordance with agency procedures.

(d) A waiver granted for a particular class of contracts may be withdrawn for any contract within that class whenever considered necessary by the Director to achieve the purposes of the Act. The withdrawal shall not apply to contracts awarded before the withdrawal. The withdrawal shall not apply to solicitations under any means of formal sealed bidding unless it is made more than 10 calendar days before the date set for bid opening.

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22.1404 Department of Labor notices.

The contracting officer shall furnish to the contractor appropriate notices that state the contractor's obligations and the handicapped individual's rights under the Employment of the Handicapped program. The contracting officer may obtain these notices from the Department of Labor Regional Office, Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs.

22.1405 Collective bargaining agreements.

If performance under the clause at 52.222-36, Affirmative Action for Handicapped Workers, may necessitate a revision of a collective bargaining agreement, the contracting officer shall advise the affected labor unions that the Department of Labor will give them appropriate opportunity to present their views. However, neither the contracting officer nor any representative of the contracting officer shall discuss with the contractor or any labor representative any aspect of the collective bargaining agreement.

22.1406 Complaint procedures.

Following agency procedures, the contracting office shall forward any complaints received about the administration of the Act to the OFCCP, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210, or to any OFCCP regional or area office. The OFCCP shall institute investigation of each complaint and shall be responsible for developing a complete case record.

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22.1407 Actions because of noncompliance.

The contracting officer shall take necessary action as soon as possible upon notification by the appropriate agency official to implement any sanctions imposed on a contractor by the Department of Labor for violations of the clause at 52.222-36, Affirmative Action for Handicapped Workers. These sanctions (see 41 CFR 60-741.28) may include—

- (a) Withholding from payments otherwise due;
- (b) Termination or suspension of the contract; or
- (c) Debarment of the contractor.

22.1408 Contract clause.

(a) The contracting officer shall insert the clause at 52.222-36, Affirmative Action for Handicapped Workers, in solicitations and contracts that exceed \$2,500 or are expected to exceed \$2,500, except when—

(1) Work is performed outside the United States by employees recruited outside the United States (for the purpose of this subpart, *United States*, includes the States, the District of Columbia, the Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands); or

(2) The agency head has waived, in accordance with 22.1403(a) or 22.1403(b) all the terms of the clause.

(b) If the agency head waives one or more (but not all) of the terms of the clause in accordance with 22.1403(a) or 22.1403(b), use the basic clause with its Alternate I.

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